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SUBJECT: REPORTED DETENTION OF KASSEM EL FARRAH

1. DEPT. HAS RECEIVED INQUIRY FROM AMCIT DR. SABRI EL-FARRAH CONCERNING REPORTED DETENTION OF HIS COUSIN, KASSEM EL-FARRAH, DEPUTY MAYOR OF KHAN YUNIS, BY ISRAELI AUTHORITIES. KASSEM IS BROTHER OF DR. MUHAMMAD EL-FARRAH, ASSISTANT SECGEN OF ARAB LEAGUE. ACCORDING TO SABRI EL-FARRAH, KASSEM WAS ARRESTED ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO ON WHAT HE TERMED "RIDICULOUS CHARGES," OSTENSIBLY HAVING TO DO WITH IRREGULARITIES IN THE CITY'S BOOKS. HE HAS REPORTEDLY BEEN HELD INCOMMUNICADO EVER SINCE.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH ISRAELI AUTHORITIES AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL TO INQUIRE ABOUT WELFARE OF AND NATURE OF CHARGES AGAINST KASSEM EL-FARRAH, EXPLAINING THE INTEREST OF AN AMERICAN-CITIZEN RELATIVE IN THE CASE.

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3. FYI: DR. SABRI EL-FARRAH IS MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF CBS, CHAIRMAN OF THE COOPERATIVE OF AMERICAN PHYSICIANS AND THE ISLAMIC CENTER OF LOS ANGELES AND MEMBER OF L.A. INTERFAITH COUNCIL. END FYI.
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